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The Latest State and General News.

John Kirby, the negro rapist of Spartanburg, was given 30 years. The case is not argued and jury out just 3 minutes. Our next legislature may establish county agricultural schools. It is the best way to reach poor farmer boys.

R. Parker Moore, who killed a white man in Chesterfield county 20 years ago, has been captured in Texas.

Mr. Wm. Mayfield, a gallant ex-Confederate, died in Greenville last week.

It is now estimated that the Panama canal will be completed by 1913.

The labor leaders are enraged because the President did not invite Gompers to a labor day dinner.

Mr. John B. Sitton died in Seneca.

Rev. J. J. Harrell, of Westminster, has been assigned to Woodruff.

Mr. John M. Cobb, a highly respected citizen of Westminster, died last week.

Mr. B. Hardy Sauter and Miss Ella Sitton were married at Pendleton Nov. 11.

The 123rd session of the S. C. Conference will be held in Laurens Nov. 25th, Bishop Wheaton, of Baltimore, presiding.

Amie Matilda Maret, a beloved lady of Fair Play, passed away Nov. 9th.

At session of Oconee court, Logan Ramsey was given a life sentence for murder, and E. B. Lee convicted of manslaughter, but not sentenced.

Wm. J. Rogers, formerly of Oconee county and a printer, is a candidate for state senator in Vanderburg county, Ind.

Mrs. T. M. Kelley died in Oconee.

Chesler King, a 14 year-old boy of Oconee county, picked 521 lbs. cotton a day.

An extra term of court, lasting two weeks, will be held in Oconee county, beginning Dec. 7, to try civil cases.

Mr. R. L. Boggs, of Oconee county, this year raised some high grade tobacco from government seed.

Car thieves are operating in the upper part of the state, and Ben Reese, a negro merchant at Pendleton, has been arrested on charge of receiving stolen goods.

J. J. Sharp, sheriff, has been arrested at Nashville, Tenn., for abetting in the murder of ex-senator Carmack.

A stir was last week created in Memphis at the meeting of the Southern Cotton Association, over the vigorous defense of Night Riders by a delegate. He said Night Riders were oppressed people fighting for right against great odds.

Mayor Woodward, of Atlanta, was tried this week for being drunk on street.

Sebec last week voted \$25,000 bonds for water and lights, 50 for 15 against.

Mrs. Mattie Jackson has disappeared from her home at Duncan, Spartanburg.

The court decided that the liquor license in Laurens county was legally held, old tank must go at last.

A petition has been sent to Gov. Aulick for the pardon of Mrs. Carson, serving a life sentence for the murder of her husband in Spartanburg county. She is a daughter of Mr. Alverson, a noble man.

When convicted she was a beautiful woman, with a little boy and girl. Mrs. Carson is now grey-haired and broken and her daughter grown. It is a sad case.

The police of Spartanburg arrested a negro woman on the train in man's attire.

Mr. J. Adger Smyth, of Pelzer, is elected president of Watts mill, in Laurens.

Capitalists are in Anderson county in search of undeveloped water powers.

At Spartanburg court, last Thursday, Clarence Agnew, the negro boy who wrecked a train near Welford, costing two lives, was given a life sentence. He admitted that he turned the switch.

It is decided not to close Winthrop College, on account of typhoid fever.

A negro preacher is contesting the election of Congressman Patterson in the 2d South Carolina district.

A very large flock of wild geese was seen in Union county last week. About 35 years ago these birds disappeared.

Mrs. Florence Moore, of Oconee, cultivates the common huckleberry, and they are twice as large as the wild ones.

A majority of congress favors a revision of tariff and reduction in duties. We don't count on much relief, however.

The postal deficit amounts to six millions, more than ever before.

At a meeting of doctors in Atlanta last week it was stated that the hook worm is an epidemic among cotton mill people in the South. It is produced by lack of exercise and causes fascioid—a disfigurement to any kind of exertion. It is a minute white intestinal worm, and is causing many deaths. Simple remedies will remove the evil.

Judge Shumpert, when trying those negroes at Spartanburg last week, ordered the soldiers guarding the prisoners to disband, as he was not afraid to trust the law-abiding people of that county.

The judge was loudly applauded. The railroad men are indignant because the train-wrecker was not hanged. The Sentinel-Journal contended that there was no danger of any lynching, and that Sheriff Nicholls could safely guard his prisoners without calling out the militia.

Pollagra is a new and terrible disease now prevalent in the Carolinas. It is said to be traceable to bread from fermented corn and which was cut too green for shredding. It is similar to syphilis, the victim wanting to sleep all the time, is incurable and fatal. It was discovered by Dr. McConnell, of Chester, in this state.

Many York county farmers will next year abandon cotton for food crops.

The Farmers' Union will build a large central warehouse at New Orleans. Bankers have promised \$50,000 000 toward the members holding their cotton. This will tie up some 3,000 000 and the prediction is that cotton must advance soon.

The Oconee News says bacon is 1 1/4c. a pound, and possum hunter are busy.

The Emperor of China died last Friday and a Regent is appointed.

The Baptist women of our state at the M. S. Society Union held in Charleston last week resolved to raise \$32,830, to be expended in home and foreign missions.

Mrs. I. J. Wingo was chosen president and Greenwood the next meeting place.

It is said that work on the trolley line from Greenville to Asheville will commence in October. Headquarters will be at Greer. Nothing done on Asheville end.

The Anderson girls at Winthrop have been wired to come home.

David B. Vaughn, a New York drummer, was shot and perhaps fatally injured, at Waynesville, N. C., on Friday, by James W. son of the late Congressman Monday. Politics the cause, and Vaughn was shot while apologizing.

Secretary of Navy Metcalf has resigned and T. H. Newberry succeeds him.

Night Riders of Chatham county, Tenn., have warned negroes to leave the state and are burning their homes.

The S. C. A. in session last week at Memphis, fixed the price of cotton at 10 cents and urged farmers to apply to local banks for loans.

Mrs. Eastman, the Chicago woman at litigation with Col. V. E. McRae, married last Tuesday the man who was living in the house with her, and which caused the woman's arrest. In North Carolina it is against the law for a man and woman to occupy the same house alone, unless married.

In Spartanburg, a mistrial was made in the case of Elmore Wright, who shot and killed A. G. Kirkendall.

An invitation has been tendered Wm. H. Taft to attend the banquet to be given in Spartanburg Nov. 26th.

Col. Wm. J. Bryan and wife will visit Mexico and return.

Hon. C. S. Barrett, President National Farmers' Union, has been appointed by President Barrett a member of the county line commission. We doubt if Mr. Barrett accepts, as he now has a more important work in hand.

Owing the outrageously disgraceful and immoral conduct of Jas. G. Woodward, the democratic nominee for mayor of Atlanta, a mass meeting of the citizens was held last week, and who put out Mr. Robert F. Maddox, or a public decency ticket, as an independent. The people knew the manner of man Woodward was when they voted for him. He just will get drunk and cut the back, and this is his third selection as mayor.

Mr. Wingo will open up the largest granite quarry in the state near Marietta in Greenville county.

There are 11 cases of typhoid fever and 2 suspected cases at Winthrop college—217 students at home.

Last Saturday a mob at Coldwater, Miss., lynched a negro for killing a white farmer.

A swindler is victimizing Southern farmers by getting up subscriptions to build creameries at about twice the cost.

A. W. and D. C. Ray, Columbia lawyers, have been ordered by Federal Judge Pritchard to show cause why they should not be punished for contempt of court. The trouble is about that dispensary money. We expect before the litigation is ended lawyers will get the lion's share of that tied-up money, like unto those old Alliance Exchange funds.

A receiver has been appointed for the Greenville News, the only republican daily in North Carolina.

At the U. D. C. convention held in Atlanta last week a resolution to exclude Northern women who married Southern men was voted down.

It has been decided to increase the capacity of the Laurens cotton mill.

E. Y. Sage, who helped to build the Air-Line (now the Southern) railway, died in Atlanta, Saturday. Many of our older citizens remember him.

The sales of the county dispensaries for the month of October amounted to \$367,918.99, an increase of \$50,000 over the month of September.

A son of ex-congressman McLaurin created a sensation in Spartanburg by jumping upon the stage and smacking the lips of a pretty actress who pointed at him in her kissing song. We doubt if "Curly-Haired Johnnie," the old man, would have backed down from that dare.

Six young soldiers of Spartanburg are to be court-martialed for refusing to answer the call to protect the negro rapist.

Morris Haas, who attempted to kill the district attorney at San Francisco, suicided in jail Saturday.

Gov. Ansel has issued a proclamation naming Thursday, Nov. 26th, as a day of Thanksgiving and Prayer.

VALUABLE LANDS FOR SALE.—I have bought the lands belonging to the estate of Maj. J. J. Lewis, recently advertised for sale. I am now offering them in tracts and on terms to suit purchasers. J. D. HOLDER.

Pickens C. H., Nov. 5, 1908.

Pickens County Union met here today, and there was a good attendance and considerable interest manifested. Several matters of importance were brought up for consideration, and discussed at considerable length. Several resolutions were passed, of which the following are specimens. Our co. sec. had just received a sample of cotton bagging, and the following resolution was passed: Resolved that we, the Pickens County Farmers' Union, after examining the a sample of the cotton bagging, sent out from New Orleans. We are highly pleased with same and recommend that our members use this bagging as much as possible this season, and arrange to use it exclusively next season. The idea being to find a better market for the lower grades of cotton, by finding a greater use for it, etc. It is solved, that if cotton sacks are practical for use in sacking fertilizers, that all the fertilizer manufacturers be requested to use nothing but cotton sacks, thus working to the farmers' interest to the extent of creating a greater demand for low grades of cotton, and at the same time helping the manufacturer who makes these goods, etc. The time of the county meeting was changed from the 1st Monday to Thursday after the first Monday in each month. The membership are requested to make a note of this and bear it in mind. President Harris was to be with us, but did not get there, but sent J. B. Watson, of Anderson, to fill his appointment; but owing to the schedule of the train being such as to prevent his reaching Pickens in time, he did not get further than Easley. Under the change of days of the county meeting the next regular county meeting will be held the 10th of Dec. Let us see who can submit the best plan for conducting a prize A for wheat, oats and corn for 1909. Other counties have been conducting this prize contest for some time. Should ten farmers compete for the prize, and each give his method of preparation and cultivation, we get ten years' experience all in one year. We want to learn the best method of making a living easy on the farm, consequently want no cotton contest, as it seems there is too much of it being raised already for any good to the producer. He just raises it for the cotton manipulators to make the profit out of—to make them rich.

We are informed it is current in the land that the Farmers' Union required their members to pledge themselves to hold their cotton for a minimum price. This is altogether a mistake. They are not required to do anything of the kind. So kind reader, if in the future should you happen to see a member of the Union offering to market a bale of cotton for less than the minimum price don't get mixed up with the idea that he is going back on the Union or violating his pledge. No, no. That is not the way the Union has to do business. So don't get alarmed. Every member is allowed to attend to his own business in his own way. Of course all the loyal members will conform as near to the demands as possible without injury to himself or others, to whom he is under possibly greater obligations for favors shown, etc., etc.

The Cotton Growers Convention in Memphis last week passed resolutions urging the diversification of crops by the Southern farmers, asking a continuance of the fight against the boll weevil, condemning gambling in futures, and favoring warehousing cotton for better prices.

Last Friday cold frosty weather set in and vegetation succumbed before the chilling blasts.

When You Come to Think of It

YOU WILL FIND THAT

CHRISTMAS

Is close at hand. In about five weeks Christmas Bells will be ringing, Santa Claus will be coming, and Christmas Trees will be talked of in the land.

NOW IS THE TIME

To begin getting ready for it, and OUR STORE is the Place to Begin. We think

Our Stock of Christmas Goods

Is More Select, and of a Greater and Better Quality than ever before. We have tried to profit by our six years' experience in buying this class of goods, and feel that we can show you a stock that will please you and one that we are proud of. Our stock comprises such line as all kinds of

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PICKENS DRUG CO.

A. K. PARK,

West End. Greenville, S. C.

Dry Goods and Shoes.

We are now ready for Fall and Winter business, with a full stock of Dry Goods and Shoes. I did not go to market until late, when there had been Breaks in Prices. I found sellers anxious to sell, and offering extra inducements to cash buyers. Being in a position to accept their offers I bought largely and at much lower prices than for several seasons past. That means you can buy your dry goods for less money than you did last year. My prices will be based on 8c cotton. No more 7c. for calico but the best branded goods will be sold for 5c. Goods that sold last season for 12 1/2c. and 15c. now 10c. Heavy 12 1/2c. Canton Flannel for 10c. Heavy yard wide Sheeting 5c. The best selection of wool dress goods I have ever had and for less money. Better underwear for less money. 36 inch \$1.25 Taffeta Silk for \$1.00 I bear the standard of Good Shoes for little money. Come and let us prove what we say.

A. K. Park,

J. L. VALLEY,

Physician and Surgeon.

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DR. LAWRENCE ROPER,

DENTIST,

PICKENS. S. C.

County Commissioner's meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of County Commissioners will meet Tuesday after each Salesday and on Tuesday every two weeks to approve and pay claims. No claim will be paid except on those days. Persons having business in the Supervisor's office will come on the days above named and no other.

E. F. LOOPER, Supervisor.

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Terms made to suit purchaser. Apply to

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